BOARD OF BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY

FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Hearing Date: No hearing scheduled

Subject Matter of Proposed Regulations: Dishonored Check Fee

Sections Affected: Section 999, California Code of Regulations

Updated Information

No hearing was scheduled on this rulemaking proposal and no one requested a hearing.

The Initial Statement of Reasons is included in the file and the information contained therein is updated as follows:

The Board is proposing to increase the dishonored check fee from \$10 to \$25, the amount charged by the Department of Consumer Affairs. The actual cost of processing a dishonored check is well over \$10, considering the various processes that must be followed to record the check. The benefit is that the new fee will be in line with actual cost of processing the dishonored check. The alternative — leaving the fee at \$10 — is not cost effective as it does not come close to covering the actual cost of recovering bad checks. The actual cost to the Department of Consumer Affairs to recover bad checks is \$28.76. If the fee remains at \$10, the Board's cost of processing dishonored checks would be underfunded by \$18.76 per check.

Local Mandate

A mandate is not imposed on local agencies or school districts.

Small Business Impact

There is no economic impact on small business. This regulation only applies to individuals or establishments who do not follow the laws of the State of California.

Consideration of Alternatives

No reasonable alternative which was considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the Board would be either more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed regulation.

<u>Summary of, and Responses to, Comments Received During the 45-day Comment</u> Period

No comments were received.